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Inventor: Shinji IINO, et al.

REMARKS

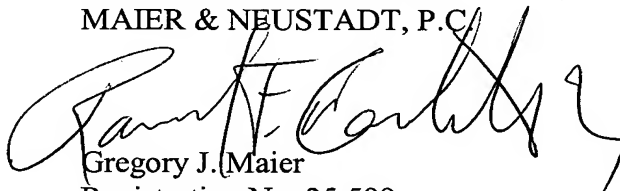
Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 and 8-15 are presently active in this application. Claims 1-4 have been amended without the introduction of any new matter and Claims 5-7 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

In light of the above, an early and favorable examination on the merits as to the presently active Claims 1-4 and 8-15 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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